

MY SUMMER COTTAGE

Preparing for the Heated Term During the Chill Blasts of Winter.

A MODEL COUNTRY RESIDENCE

With a Wide Veranda and a Long and Cheerful Hall.

A CHEAP BUT IMPOSING STRUCTURE

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

In midwinter the designer of dwellings and the proposing builder must consider plans for the heated term. There is more comfort, probably, in a cottage like the one illustrating this article than in any other. Its doors and windows entice every wayward breeze that blows. Its wide veranda provides for outdoor life, and its large hall, with fireplace, a cheerful place of retreat during a storm.

The illustration shows a two-story cottage with a wide veranda on the ground floor. The house has a gabled roof with a large chimney on the left side. The front facade features a large hall with a fireplace, and the veranda runs along the front and side of the house. The style is a simple line drawing, typical of early 20th-century architectural illustrations.

Perspective View.

of weather. Viewed "broadside on" the cottage presents quite an imposing appearance.

Below will be found a condensed description:

Size of structure: Front (width), 17 feet 9 inches, not including veranda; depth, 36 feet 9 inches, including veranda.

Height of stories: - *1st*, 8 feet 6 inches; first story, 8 feet 6 inches; second story, 8 feet.

Materials for exterior walls: Foundations stone; first story, clapboards; second story and gables, square bark shingles; roof shingles.

Floor Plan

Labels on floor plan: P, Y, E, C, Kitchen, Hall, B.D., Veranda, Dining Room, 18'0" x 16'0"

W.C.

Hall
Hotel de Ville

Veranda
Hotel de Ville

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Second floor.

Exterior colors: All clapboards and shingles on eave walls and gables, gray; all trim, white; roof shingles, oiled; veranda floor and ceiling, oiled.

Interior finish: Rough brown plaster tinted, and yellow pine trim.

Accommodations: All the rooms and their sizes, closets, etc., are shown by the plans given herewith. Beside these there is a cellar under the whole house, and storage room in the attic. All city-house conveniences are provided.

Special features: Style of exterior, colonial. Open timber ceiling in hall and dining room. A more descriptive name for the hall would be living room. Every room may have the most thorough ventilation.

Cost, with "Plank" frame, \$2,000; with balloon frame, \$3,000. "Plank" frame requires more labor, material and labor in appearance is quite different from balloon frame. As usually built a small frame house will bear 30 times the weight that is usually required of it. Plank framing sacrifices space for this unnecessary strength.

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In After Days.

The year goes on its wasted course;
The days as swiftly pass
As sunlight on a broken wave
Or shadows in a desert
At its spring, with songs of birds
And summer's maddest part;
And then the winter's rains snow
That chill and sighs the heart.

What are the hopes that we have
That spread in gorgeous folds
They only like faded vestras
In some half-broken fold.

The joys that are the rainbow's arch
In love's bright colors fade
Like rays in the vanishing's glow—
Dark come and then the end.

The best life's joys must pass away,
Dreams by Fate's hand;
The seeds of love grow from the truth,
The chains and the bonds;
So we must struggle with things that
We can not see and vote—
And we must pass on—
That lives it when we're left.

—Faded Echoes of Time.